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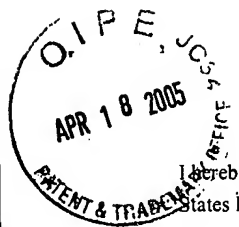
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Philippe Monblanc

Application No.: 10/042,615

Filed: January 8, 2002

For: DEVICE FOR HOLDING A SOLID  
IN A TUBE, AND TEST KIT USING  
SUCH A DEVICE

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 6161

Examiner: Lyle Alexander

Technology Center/Art Unit: 1743

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 16, 2005, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.